

Pitiable condition of female prisoners

2445. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of female prisoners in different jails of the country at present;
- (b) whether Government are aware that the condition of these female prisoners is very pitiable;
- (c) if *m*, whether Government are going to take any effective steps to improve it; and
- (d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Review of NGOs in Himachal Pradesh

2446. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of Non-Governmental Organisations in Himachal Pradesh which are receiving financial assistance from Government;
- (b) whether any review of the working of such organizations has been carried out;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any of the organizations has ever been black-listed; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI

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RAJYA SABHA

MANEKA GANDHI: (a) The names of Non-Governmental Organisations in Himachal Pradesh which are receiving financial assistance from Government are as under:

- I. Himachal Pradesh State Council for Child Welfare, Mini Secretariat, Shimla-2.
- II. Distt. Rural Development Agency, Hamirpur Distt.
- III. Distt. Rural Development Agency, Shimla.
- IV. Distt. Rural Development Agency Bilaspur District,
- V. Jail Employees Welfare and Prevention of Crime Society, Central Jail, Nahan.
- VI. Age Care India, Shimla District.
- VII. Indira Ladies Club, Sirmour District.
- VIII. Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, (for Distt. Bilaspur, Kangra, Solan, Kullu, Shimla and Nahan).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Ministry releases grant-in-aid to the organization on the basis of inspection report/recommendation of the appropriate authorities every year. The organizations are also required to submit various documents like utilization certificate, audit report etc. for getting grant-in-aid from the Ministry.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Representations from Confederation of SC and ST Organisations in Andhra Pradesh

2447. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representations have been received from Confederation of SC and ST Organizations in Andhra